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*Preview of Western Branch  
A.P.H.A. Program*

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The tenth annual meeting of the Western Branch of the American Public Health Association to be held in Oakland July 23 to 28 will provide an opportunity for public health workers to obtain most valuable information in modern public health practice. Not only will the general program be of interest, but affiliated groups and sections will present specialized programs of particular interest to individual groups of workers.

The Sixth Pacific Science Congress will meet on the Berkeley Campus of the University of California and at Stanford University from July 24 to August 12 and many of the 200 papers to be presented by outstanding scientists from the United States and 20 other countries bordering on the Pacific will attract public health workers to the congress as well as to the meeting of the western branch.

Special sessions will be held for vital statisticians, nutritionists, venereal disease workers, sanitarians, child hygiene and maternal welfare workers, public health nurses and others.

Registration is scheduled for Sunday, July 23, and the early morning of Monday, July 24.

The first general session will be held at 9.30 a.m. Monday with Dr. Guy S. Millberry, President of the

Western Branch of the American Public Health Association presiding. Addresses of welcome will be given and papers will be presented by representatives of the following organizations: American Public Health Association, United States Public Health Service, Sixth Pacific Science Congress, Indian Service and Food and Drug Administration.

One of the features of the meeting will be a series of four informal round table discussions on health education. This will be presided over by Dr. Ira V. Hiscock, Professor of Public Health, Yale University, and the discussions will be held at the following times: Monday afternoon, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning, and Friday morning. Dr. Walter H. Brown, Professor of Hygiene and Physical Education, Stanford University, and Mr. W. Ford Higby, General Secretary, California Tuberculosis Association, San Francisco, and others will assist with this program.

On Tuesday morning a series of round table discussions will be held on evaluation of public health practices. Thursday morning there will be panel discussion on government and medicine. The annual banquet will be held at seven o'clock on Wednesday evening. In addition to the above features various

groups will meet at breakfast and lunch, and meetings of the new and old regional boards have been scheduled.

#### GROUP SECTIONS

Among the special groups for which sessions will be held on Sunday, July 23, are vital statisticians, public health nurses, nutritionists and venereal disease workers. Also a meeting of the United States Indian Service is being organized by Dr. R. B. Snavely, Past Assistant Surgeon, United States Public Health Service. Meeting at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 23, the group will be addressed by Dr. J. F. Worley, Senior Surgeon, United States Public Health Service and Medical Director of Alaska, on Medical Care of Beneficiaries of the United States Indian Service in Alaska.

#### VITAL STATISTICS

On Sunday, July 23, at 10 a.m., state and local registrars will conduct a round table conference on the forms of birth and death certificates. Dr. Halbert L. Dunn, Chief Statistician for Vital Statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, will preside. Mr. Francis D. Rhoads, State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Seattle, Washington, will participate, together with Mrs. M. B. Stringer, State Registrar of Vital Statistics for California. Registrars from western states will be present to participate in the discussions. A large attendance of local registrars of vital statistics and their deputies is expected.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

Beginning at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, July 23, state directors of public health nursing will hold an all day closed session. Miss Rena Haig, Chief Supervising Public Health Nurse of the California State Department of Public Health, is organizing a program which follows.

Only members of nursing supervisory staffs of State Department of Health and supervisors of non-official state or area-wide agencies who are specially invited will be admitted:

#### CONFERENCE STATE SUPERVISING NURSES

Oakland, July 23, 1939

General Topic—Staff Education  
Morning Session

Presiding—Miss Rena Haig, Chief, Public Health Nursing Service, State Department of Public Health, California.

Co-Chairman—Miss Anna Heisler, Regional Nurse Consultant, U. S. Public Health Service.

9.30-10.00—How May Modern Trends in Education Be Applied to Staff Education for Public Health Nurses? Miss Pearl McIver, Senior Public Health Nurse Consultant, U. S. Public Health Service.

#### 10.00-10.10—Questions.

#### 10.15-12.20—Introduction of New Nurses to the Field.

Mrs. Fannie Warncke, Director, Public Health Nursing, State Department of Public Health, New Mexico.

Discussion—Mrs. Christie A. Thompson, Advisory Nurse, Nevada State Board of Health.

Continuous Education—Miss Olive Whitlock, Supervising Nurse, Division of Public Health Nursing and Child Hygiene, State Board of Public Health, Oregon.

Discussion—Miss Calista L. Crown, Assistant Chief, Public Health Nursing Service, California State Department of Public Health.

#### 12.30-2.00—Lunch—Movies.

#### Afternoon Session

Presiding—Miss Alice Campbell, Maternal and Child Health Consultant, Utah State Board of Health.

Co-Chairman—Miss Ruth Taylor, Regional Nurse Consultant Federal Children's Bureau.

2.00-2.30—New Developments in Maternal and Child Health and Crippled Children's Services Which Concern the State Directors of Public Health Nursing. Miss Naomi Deutsch, Director, Public Health Nursing, Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor.

#### 2.30-2.40—Questions.

2.40-4.00—Field Supervisory Visits as a Part of Staff Education—Field Reports, Type and Use of Progress or Activity Reports. Miss Ruth Phillips, Director of Public Health Nursing, Colorado Division of Public Health.

Discussion—Field Reports—Miss Therma Green, District Nursing Supervisor, Utah State Board of Health. Type and Use of Progress or Activity Reports—Miss Lucile Perozzi, Educational Director, Oregon State Department of Public Health.

4.00-5.00—Conferences for District Supervising Nurses. Miss Lily Hagerman, Director, Division of Public Health Nursing, Utah State Board of Health.

#### NUTRITIONISTS

Dr. Nina Simmonds, Lecturer on Nutrition, University of California College of Medicine and Dentistry, has arranged a program for nutritionists which will be held Sunday, July 23, 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Following is the tentative program:

#### Program for Nutritionists

Sunday afternoon 2 to 4.30

July 23, 1939

1. Mr. R. W. Doe, Public Relations Committee, Safeway Stores, Oakland, How the Distributor Cooperates with the Producer and the Consumer to Supply Good Food at Moderate Cost.
2. Miss Genevieve A. Callahan, Formerly, Food Editor of Sunset Magazines, Food Consultant, San Francisco, What the Home Economics Women in Business Have to Offer the Public Health Program.
3. Mr. Gerald J. O'Gara, Lawyer for the Better Business Bureau, San Francisco, How the Better Business Bureau Functions to Protect the Public, With Special reference to the Food Supply.
4. Mr. Will A. Foster, Vice-President Borden's Dairy Delivery Company and Director of Sales, San Francisco, How Changing Habits of Living Are Affecting Food Industries.

5. Dr. Rose H. Widtsoe, Head Department of Home Economics, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, How the Nutrition Program May Be Integrated With the Other Departments in a State Health Department.

#### VENEREAL DISEASE WORKERS

Dr. Malcolm Merrill, Chief Bureau of Venereal Disease, California State Department of Public Health, is arranging a meeting of state and local venereal disease directors beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 23. This will be followed at 4 p.m. by a meeting of the Western Division of the American Social Hygiene Association, at which Dr. Walter Clark, Executive Director of the American Social Hygiene Association, will present an address.

The program for this session is being arranged by Mr. W. F. Higby, western representative of the American Social Hygiene Association, and Mr. Alan Blanchard.

#### DENTAL HYGIENE

Dr. Guy S. Millberry and associates in the western area are arranging a meeting of state directors of dental hygiene for the opening day, July 23, at which Arthur W. Chance, M.D., D.D.S., member of the Oregon State Board of Health, will preside.

#### SANITARIANS

The National Association of Sanitarians will hold its annual meeting during the week of July 23 to 28. They will have a special place on the program of the Western Branch Tuesday, July 25.

#### MATERNAL AND CHILD HYGIENE

A panel discussion on maternal and child hygiene in the Western Branch is scheduled for July 23, 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. This session is part of the Western Branch program and will attract large numbers of workers in maternal and child hygiene.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND NUTRITION SECTION OF THE SIXTH PACIFIC SCIENCE CONGRESS

This meeting of the Western Branch offers a unique opportunity in that the Sixth Pacific Science Congress will be meeting on the Berkeley campus of the University of California, and at Stanford University from July 24th to August 12th. The committee, of which Dr. Karl F. Meyer, Director of Hooper Foundation, is chairman, has arranged a program which will be of interest to many members of the Western Branch of the A. P. H. A. This program will consist of approximately 200 papers presented by out-

standing scientists from the United States and approximately 20 other countries bordering the Pacific. Examination of some of the proposed topics listed below will indicate the scope of this program. Definite dates for the various topics are not available at the present time, but all of this material will be scheduled between July 25th and August 2d, and every effort will be expended to avoid conflict of important topics of the western branch program. Information concerning this section of the Science Congress program may be obtained from Dr. Meyer. Other sections of the congress will discuss problems relating to geography, geology, botany, zoology, oceanography, climatology, etc., and requests for information concerning these topics should be addressed to Dr. Roy E. Clausen, General Secretary of the Pacific Science Congress, 205 Hilgard Hall, University of California, Berkeley, California.

The program relating to the epidemiology of communicable diseases will include discussions of the following: plague, leprosy, yellow fever, dysentery and cholera, neurotropic virus diseases (poliomyelitis, rabies, encephalitis, and equine encephalomyelitis), trachoma, food poisonings, fungus, infections, undulant fever, psittacosis, leptospirosis, bartonella infections. In addition an all day session will be scheduled for discussion of the rickettsia infections.

Dr. R. R. Sayers, Chief of the Division of Industrial Hygiene of the Public Health Service, will preside at various symposia relating to industrial hygiene. Important topics for discussion at these meetings will include:

1. Public health problems in transportation.
2. Influence of barometric pressure on health.
3. Organic solvents, insecticides, pest control agents, and spray residues in relation to public health.
4. Present status of industrial hygiene.

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#### MORBIDITY

##### Complete Reports for Following Diseases for Week Ending June 10, 1939

###### Chickenpox

684 cases: Alameda County 3, Alameda 18, Berkeley 9, Oakland 43, San Leandro 8, Chico 23, Gridley 2, Contra Costa County 2, Pittsburg 5, Fresno County 5, Fresno 6, Humboldt County 1, Kern County 2, Bakersfield 4, Los Angeles County 39, Alhambra 3, Azusa 1, Compton 2, Covina 1, Glendale 4, Huntington Park 1, Inglewood 1, Long Beach 5, Los Angeles 69, Pasadena 9, Pomona 6, San Marino 4, Sierra Madre 4, Whittier 18, Torrance 1, Lynwood 2, South Gate 1, Madera County 1, Merced 4, Monterey County 2, Orange County 6, Anaheim 5, La Habra 1, Placer County 16, Corona 3, Riverside 1, San Jacinto 1, Sacramento County 78, Sacramento 53, San Bernardino County 8, Colton 1, Redlands 1, San Diego County 16, Escondido 6, National City 11, Oceanside 1, San Diego 29, San Francisco 63, San Joaquin County 8, Stockton 7, San Mateo County 1, Santa Barbara County 3, Santa Clara County 4, San Jose 18, Watsonville 1, Shasta County 3, Vallejo 1, Sonoma County 2, Petaluma 21, Santa Rosa 2, Yuba City 1, Trinity County 3.

**Diphtheria**

27 cases: San Leandro 1, Richmond 1, Imperial County 2, Kern County 2, Los Angeles County 1, Los Angeles 2, Merced 1, Orange County 2, Sacramento County 1, San Bernardino County 2, Colton 1, San Diego 1, San Francisco 3, San Jose 2, Santa Cruz County 1, Santa Rosa 3, California 1.\*

**German Measles**

19 cases: Kern County 1, Los Angeles County 1, Huntington Park 1, Los Angeles 7, Calistoga 1, Orange County 1, San Diego County 3, San Diego 1, San Francisco 1, Stockton 1, Tulare County 1.

**Influenza**

18 cases: Oakland 1, Fresno County 2, Maricopa 2, Long Beach 1, Los Angeles 6, Pomona 1, Santa Monica 1, Bell 1, San Diego County 2, San Luis Obispo County 1.

**Malaria**

2 cases: Monterey County 1, Winters 1.

**Measles**

2222 cases: Alameda County 34, Alameda 3, Berkeley 15, Oakland 25, Piedmont 8, Pleasanton 1, San Leandro 2, Butte County 1, Contra Costa County 21, Richmond 16, Walnut Creek 18, Crescent City 1, Fresno County 23, Fresno 20, Kingsburg 1, Humboldt County 101, Eureka 27, Kern County 1, Bakersfield 2, Lake County 7, Los Angeles County 249, Alhambra 26, Arcadia 1, Azusa 1, Burbank 4, Claremont 25, Compton 26, Culver City 5, El Monte 3, El Segundo 1, Glendale 14, Huntington Park 15, Inglewood 20, La Verne 1, Long Beach 69, Los Angeles 330, Manhattan 4, Monrovia 4, Montebello 4, Pasadena 26, Pomona 8, Redondo 10, Santa Monica 16, South Pasadena 12, Whittier 7, Torrance 2, Lynwood 4, Hawthorne 4, South Gate 30, Monterey Park 7, Maywood 6, Bell 5, Madera 1, Mill Valley 1, Ross 1, Gustine 2, Merced 7, Mono County 11, Monterey County 6, King City 3, Monterey 5, Pacific Grove 1, Salinas 1, Napa County 2, Calistoga 1, Grass Valley 1, Orange County 48, Anaheim 11, Fullerton 12, Newport Beach 1, Santa Ana 15, Seal Beach 6, La Habra 2, Laguna Beach 13, Plumas County 7, Riverside County 1, Corona 28, Riverside 2, San Jacinto 1, Indio 2, Sacramento County 98, Sacramento 94, San Bernardino County 21, Ontario 24, Redlands 2, San Diego County 66, Coronado 1, La Mesa 14, National City 1, Oceanside 14, San Diego 54, San Francisco 17, San Joaquin County 21, Lodi 7, Manteca 3, Stockton 32, San Luis Obispo County 2, Paso Robles 1, San Mateo County 4, Daly City 1, San Mateo 4, South San Francisco 1, Santa Barbara County 6, Santa Barbara 62, Santa Clara County 18, Gilroy 2, Palo Alto 15, Santa Cruz County 5, Watsonville 12, Redding 1, Solano County 6, Vacaville 1, Sonoma County 7, Healdsburg 2, Santa Rosa 9, Stanislaus County 47, Oakdale 20, Yuba City 2, Corning 1, Trinity County 3, Tulare County 5, Dinuba 1, Visalia 1, Tuolumne County 1, Ventura County 2, Fillmore 13, Ventura 16, Yolo County 9, Davis 1, Woodland 13, California 1.\*

**Mumps**

627 cases: Alameda County 10, Berkeley 26, Oakland 44, Piedmont 4, Pleasanton 2, San Leandro 3, Chico 1, Contra Costa County 8, Antioch 8, Concord 1, El Cerrito 2, Richmond 22, Fresno County 6, Fresno 4, Kern County 19, Bakersfield 14, Los Angeles County 25, Alhambra 4, Glendale 3, Glendora 1, Long Beach 6, Los Angeles 58, Manhattan 5, Monrovia 3, Pasadena 9, Redondo 1, Santa Monica 1, Whittier 1, Lynwood 6, South Gate 1, Bell 2, Marin County 1, Mill Valley 5, Ross 8, San Rafael 34, Merced 1, Monterey County 1, Orange 1, Placer County 1, Riverside County 1, Blythe 1, Riverside 4, Sacramento County 19, Sacramento 49, San Bernardino County 2, Colton 1, San Diego County 3, San Diego 3, San Francisco 71, San Joaquin County 21, Lodi 1, Stockton 23, San Luis Obispo 2, San Mateo County 1, Burlingame 1, Santa Barbara County 1, Santa Barbara 2, Santa Clara County 2, Gilroy 1, Palo Alto 8, San Jose 15, Shasta County 13, Solano County 2, Vallejo 1, Sonoma County 1, Modesto 5, Tehama County 1, Tulare County 4, Ventura County 2, Oxnard 2, Santa Paula 1, Yolo County 5, Woodland 6.

**Pneumonia (Lobar)**

46 cases: Berkeley 1, Oakland 3, Los Angeles County 7, Alhambra 1, Long Beach 1, Los Angeles 16, Santa Monica 1, Whittier 1, South Gate 1, Monterey Park 1, Fort Bragg 1, Monterey County 1, San Diego 1, San Francisco 7, Sonoma County 2, Petaluma 1.

**Scarlet Fever**

136 cases: Alameda 4, Berkeley 1, Oakland 1, Pleasanton 1, Gridley 1, Calaveras County 1, Contra Costa County 4, Fresno County 2, Fresno 2, Humboldt County 1, Imperial County 2, Kern County 1, Bakersfield 1, Delano 2, Maricopa 3, Lake County 4, Los Angeles County 21, Azusa 1, El Monte 1, Huntington Park 3, Long Beach 4, Los Angeles 24, Montebello 1, Pomona 1, San Fernando 1, San Gabriel 4, Torrance 1, Lynwood 1, Monterey Park 1, Merced County 1, Orange County 6, Santa Ana 1, Placer County 1, Riverside 1, Sacramento 6, San Diego 5, San Francisco 3, Stockton 1, San Luis Obispo County

1, Santa Clara County 5, San Jose 1, Sonoma County 2, Tehama County 1, Tulare County 2, Exeter 1, Lindsay 1, Visalia 1, Ventura 1.

**Smallpox**

17 cases: Butte County 2, Pomona 1, Sacramento 1, San Benito County 1, San Bernardino County 10, Colton 1, Tulare County 1.

**Typhoid Fever**

7 cases: Indio 2, Stockton 1, Stanislaus County 2, Tulare County 2.

**Whooping Cough**

181 cases: Alameda County 3, Contra Costa County 1, Fresno 2, Kern County 11, Bakersfield 3, Los Angeles County 11, Azusa 1, Glendale 4, Long Beach 29, Los Angeles 35, Manhattan 1, Redondo 1, South Pasadena 1, Whittier 3, Torrance 1, South Gate 1, Monterey Park 1, Orange County 4, Fullerton 1, Santa Ana 4, Riverside County 1, Sacramento 1, San Bernardino County 6, San Bernardino 2, San Diego County 1, National City 2, Oceanside 2, San Diego 14, San Francisco 9, San Joaquin County 8, Stockton 2, Santa Barbara 1, Palo Alto 1, Modesto 1, Tulare County 1, Ventura 7, Marysville 4.

**Meningitis (Epidemic)**

2 cases: Oakland.

**Dysentery (Amoebic)**

One case: San Mateo County.

**Dysentery (Bacillary)**

5 cases: Los Angeles County 1, Los Angeles 1, Pasadena 1, Santa Barbara 2.

**Ophthalmia Neonatorum**

One case: South San Francisco.

**Pellagra**

2 cases: San Francisco 1, Modesto 1.

**Poliomyelitis**

5 cases: Coalinga 1, Bakersfield 1, Monterey County 1, San Diego 1, Ventura 1.

**Tetanus**

3 cases: Los Angeles 2, Monterey County 1.

**Trachoma**

2 cases: Orange County.

**Paratyphoid Fever**

2 cases: Los Angeles County 1, San Francisco 1.

**Trichinosis**

One case: San Bernardino County.

**Food Poisoning**

42 cases: Fresno County 4, Los Angeles 30, San Francisco 6, California 2.\*

**Undulant Fever**

3 cases: Calipatria 1, Los Angeles County 1, Compton 1.

**Tularemia**

2 cases: Kern County.

**Coccidioidal Granuloma**

One case: Lake County.

**Septic Sore Throat**

One case: San Diego.

**Rabies (Animal)**

12 cases: Los Angeles County 1, Alhambra 1, Azusa 1, Los Angeles 3, Bell 1, San Diego 2, San Francisco 1, San Luis Obispo 1, Santa Clara County 1.

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